## Abstract

A recording apparatus is provided that includes a broadcast signal receiving means for receiving a broadcast signal transmitted from a broadcasting station and a setting means for setting at least a broadcasting time period and a broadcasting station. The recording apparatus has a communication means for transmitting request information to an external device and for receiving reply information from the external device and a program table creation means for creating a program table based on the reply information. The apparatus further has a recording scheduling means for scheduling the recording of a program to be broadcast from the broadcasting station set by the setting means based on the title and broadcasting date and time of the selected previously broadcasted program when a program previously broadcasted during the broadcasting time period set by the setting means is selected from the program table.